REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Claims 5-7, 13, 18, and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, as being indefinite.

The claims have otherwise been allowed. Claims 5-7, 13, 18 and 19 have been amended responsive to this rejection, which is believed to be moot. An explanation of the amendments and the basis thereof in the specification is set forth below.

Claim 5 has been amended to recite that the first subtracter is operable to subtract the output value of the second processing unit from either the smaller one of the output values of the first processing unit and the second processing unit, or the output value of the first processing unit. Basis for this is found in the description of the embodiment of Figure 4 on pages 13 and 14. More specifically, an output value of the second processing unit is provided to the first subtracter 42. The first subtracter 42 subtracts the output value of the selector 18 from the output value of the second processing unit (page 12, lines 18-20). When the switch S1 is closed at the start of operation of the gas turbine apparatus (sentence bridging pages 13-14), the output value of the selector 18 is the smaller one of the output values of the first processing unit and the second processing unit, and so the first subtracter 42 is operable to subtract the output value of the second processing unit 17 from the smaller one of the output values of the first processing unit and the second processing unit via the selector 18. On the other hand, when the switch S1 is open (page 14, lines 5-10), the output signal from the second processing unit does not reach the selector 18 and so the first subtracter 42 is operable to subtract the output value of the second processing unit 17 from the output value of the first processing unit 16 to obtain a first calculated value.

Claim 19 has been amended to similarly recite a step of subtracting an output value of the second processing unit from a smaller one of the output values of the first processing unit and the second processing unit or from an output value of the first processing unit. Basis for this amendment is the same as set forth above with respect to Claim 5. Claim 6 has been amended to recite a selector for sending one of load request signals including at least a calculated load request, an external load request, a local load request and a max power value of the electric generator to the second subtracter as a predetermined reference value. Claim 13 has been similarly amended. Basis for this amendment is found at page 15, lines 11-16.

The basis for the amendments to Claims 7 and 18 are believed to be clearly evident.

Applicants therefore believe that the present application is in a condition for allowance and respectfully solicit an early Notice of Allowability.

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